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1 March 1985MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Position Management and Compensation Division
OP/DDA

THROUGH: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service

FROM:

[redacted]
Chief, Personnel and Training Branch, FBIS

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SUBJECT: Request for GS-13 Impact Allocation on Position
DJ-078 in FBIS Translation Services Staff

REFERENCE: FBIS Staffing Complement Dated 31 January 1985

1. It is requested that a GS-13 impact allocation position be established from one of the flex positions in position DJ-078 (Page 2677). This position will be incumbered by [redacted] who actually performs duties in the Foreign Language Service Center in TSS but is slotted against one of the senior officer positions. It is felt that [redacted] qualifications more appropriately meet the criteria of an impact allocation position rather than a senior officer position.

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2. [redacted], a GS-13 senior linguist, is assigned to FBIS' Foreign Language Service Center (FLASC) in Headquarters. The function of this four-man staff is to provide direct linguistic support to Agency analysts and officials, frequently on a high priority basis and often in response to official requirements at the highest level of management in the Agency. [redacted] unique qualifications and expert knowledge make him ideally suited for the position he now occupies. His excellent translation skills in Russian, French, German, Italian, Dutch, Spanish, Portuguese, Bulgarian, Czech, and Serbo-Croatian enable him to produce accurate, polished translations. Furthermore, he uses an extensive background knowledge acquired over the years to handle a wide variety of subject matter from political and economic to highly complex military and scientific-technical. During the past few months, for example, he has completed Portuguese-language translations on nuclear research and legal issues; German-language translations on Soviet radar and submarines, German military hardware and paramilitary forces, and terrorist interrogations; Russian-language translations on U.S. foreign policy, Soviet and Polish dissidents, military organization and tactics, and Soviet scientific institutions; Dutch-language translations on cruise missiles; Italian-language court documents; and French-language

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STAT translations on NATO military reports, Soviet tactical aircraft, and analyses of the East European economic situation. His exceptional foreign language skills have also enabled him to list and provide oral translations from complex foreign language documents to meet same-day deadlines of DDI analysts. We believe [redacted] unusual ability to meet these requirements in a number of languages and substantive areas has been clearly demonstrated. Given such versatility, were [redacted] to be removed from his position he would have to be replaced by at least two language officers in order for FLASC to maintain the same level of support it now provides. Therefore we request that one of the flex positions of DJ-078 be designated as an impact allocation position to accommodate [redacted]

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CONCUR:

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Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service

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